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## News Highlights, Nov. 2-8, 2012

*Carolina Beach Today*

### **Educational Trips to Fort Fisher Fuel Increased Visitation**

School children from across North Carolina are finding their way to Fort Fisher State Historic Site this fall to get a close-up look at Civil War history. As observance of the Civil War Sesquicentennial continues, fourth graders studying North Carolina History get to walk the same paths used by Union and Confederate soldiers in a major Civil War battle in the state. Visitation to Fort Fisher in September was up almost 82% over last September, and student groups are booked into 2013. Read more [here](#).

*The Times News (Burlington)*

### **Visits to Alamance Battleground are up**

Alamance Battleground State Historic Site recently completed its most successful Colonial Living History Week ever. During the week of Oct. 16 - 22, more than 3,000 visitors came to the site, including more than 2,000 school children. The week showcased 14 demonstrations per day by costumed interpreters, including weaving, candle making and musket firing. Read more [here](#).

*BeachCarolina.com*

### **Six Receive North Carolina Award – State’s Highest Honor**

The state’s highest honor, the North Carolina Award, was awarded to six distinguished North Carolinians on Tuesday, Oct. 30, at the N.C. Museum of History. Governor Bev Perdue presented the awards at the 8 p.m. ceremony. Read more [here](#).

*Smoky Mountain News*

### **Carden receives prestigious state award**

Sylva native and renowned Southern Appalachian storyteller Gary Carden received the North Carolina Award for Literature, the state’s highest honor, on Oct. 30 at a ceremony in the N.C. Museum of History in Raleigh. He personally received the honor from Gov. Bev Perdue for his body of work, which includes poetry, short stories and plays about the mystical people and places around Western North Carolina. Read more [here](#).

*Daily Advance (Elizabeth City), reprinted in Chowan Herald*

### **Edenton is 300 years of American history**

Today Edenton is 300 years old. In 1712 the town that had been previously known as “The Towne on Queen Anne’s Creek,” would be founded by an act of the assembly, and incorporated 10 years later as Edenton. “It wasn’t called Edenton until it was incorporated,” says Linda Eure, director of the Historic Edenton Visitor Center. Read more [here](#).

*Philly.com/The Inquirer* (Philadelphia, Pa.)

**[10 for the Road](#)**

North Carolina: The 17th Annual American Indian Heritage Celebration will be Nov. 17. Experience N.C.'s eight recognized tribes ..... (at the) North Carolina Museum of History, 5 East Edenton St., Raleigh. .... Read more [here](#).

*PilotOnline.com/The Virginian-Pilot*

**[At ECU, Blackbeard's cannons are being restored](#)**

A loaded cannon last primed for battle by Blackbeard and his pirate crew 300 years ago lies submerged in a tank in a warehouse on the campus of East Carolina University..... Over the next few years, 27 cannons – including two found just last week at the wreck site in Beaufort Inlet – will be on display at the North Carolina Maritime Museum in Beaufort and other sites. Read more [here](#).

*Our State Magazine*

**[Here She Is](#)**

In 75 years, the Miss North Carolina Pageant has transformed from a swimsuit contest into a scholarship contest. Each woman who wears the crown makes us proud..... “Miss North Carolina: Celebrating 75 Years of Memories,” an exhibit at the N.C. Museum of History, shows off pageant finery. Read more [here](#).

*WECT-TV*

**[Regular deck maintenance work underway on Battleship North Carolina](#)**

Construction on the Battleship North Carolina started over 75 years ago. For the most part, the vessel is in pretty good condition, but over the years, Mother Nature has taken its toll on various parts of the North Carolina. A deck maintenance project is now underway, to try and head off damage that rain water may cause. Read more [here](#).

*CVNC.org* (Classical Voice of North Carolina)

**[The North Carolina Symphony Explored the Full Range of Symphonic Forms](#)**

North Carolina Symphony Music Director Grant Llewellyn told the Meymandi Concert Hall audience there was method in his choice of juxtaposing an early symphony by Haydn with one of Mahler's sprawling but intimate symphonies in all but name, Das Lied from der Erde. .... He preceded the performance of each work with comments from the stage and spoke at greater length at the informal “Meet the Artists” held at the front of the stage after the concert. Read more [here](#).

*Technicianonline.com* (N.C. State University)

**[Two exhibits explore the meaning of still-life](#)**

A bowl of fruit isn't always just a bowl of fruit. At least, it isn't always painted as such. Two exhibitions at the North Carolina Museum of Art showcase this thought, presenting “still-life” from a wide range of angles. “Still-Life Masterpieces” is an exhibition imported from the Boston Museum of Fine Arts with classic still-life pieces from the 17th to 20th centuries, and features pieces by Cezanne, Renoir and other famous painters. Read more [here](#).

*BeachCarolina.com*

**2012 North Carolina Book Awards to be Presented**

The North Carolina Book Award recipients this year have woven the elements of surprise and irony in their works. The awards will be presented on Nov. 16, the second day of the annual meeting of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association in Asheville. .... The Office of Archives and History within the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources administers the program. .... Read more [here](#).

*Carolina Parent*

**Parade to Honor Veterans**

In Raleigh, the State Capitol, located at 1 E. Edenton St., will honor the state's veterans with parade, patriotic concert and wreath-laying ceremony on Saturday. ....The events, sponsored by the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources, are free. Learn more at <http://www.ncculture.com> or call (919) 733-4994. Read more [here](#).

*Carolina Country Magazine's 2012 Holiday Gift Guide*

**Historical Publications Holiday Sale**

During the months of November and December 2012, the Historical Publications Section of the N.C. Office of Archives and History will be having an incredible sale. Many of our books will be discounted by 75 percent. Read more [here](#).

*Winston-Salem Chronicle*

**Gospel legends performing at SECCA**

The Blind Boys of Alabama will perform a Christmas show, "Go Tell It On The Mountain," to close the second season of the Crossroads @ SECCA concert series on Sunday, Dec. 16 at 3 p.m. .... SECCA, located at 750 Marguerite Drive, is an affiliate of the North Carolina Museum of Art, a division of the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources. Read more [here](#).